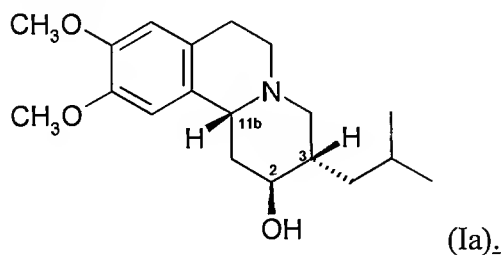


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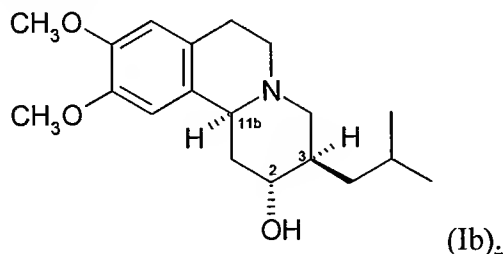
This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

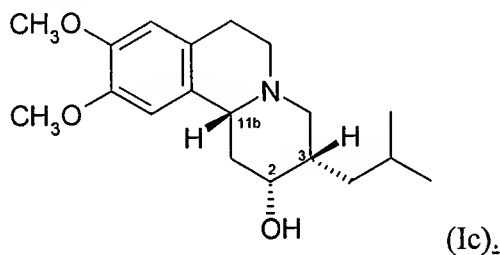
- 1-34. (canceled)
35. (currently amended) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof.
36. (currently amended) A composition consisting of 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine, or a salt thereof, ~~according to claim 35~~ in substantially pure form.
37. (currently amended) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof according to claim 35 which is in a (+)-isomeric form.
38. (currently amended) A composition comprising 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof ~~according to claim 35~~, the composition being substantially free of 3,11b-*trans*-dihydrotetrabenazine.
39. (currently amended) A composition comprising 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof ~~according to claim 35~~ and containing less than 5% of 3,11b-*trans*-dihydrotetrabenazine.
40. (currently amended) A composition according to ~~claim 39~~ claim 38 wherein the 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof is a (+)-isomer.
41. (currently amended) A composition according to ~~claim 40~~ claim 39 wherein the 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof is a (+)-isomer.
42. (currently amended) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof according to claim 35 in the form of a 2*S*,3*S*,11*bR* isomer having the formula (Ia):



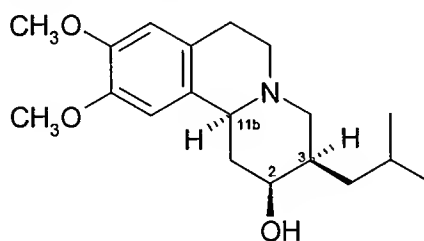
43. (currently amended) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetabenazine or a salt thereof according to claim 35 in the form of a 2*R*,3*R*,11*bS* isomer having the formula (Ib):



44. (currently amended) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetabenazine or a salt thereof according to claim 35 in the form of a 2*R*,3*S*,11*bR* isomer having the formula (Ic):



45. (currently amended) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetabenazine or a salt thereof according to claim 35 in the form of a 2*S*,3*R*,11*bS* isomer having the formula (Id):



46. (previously presented) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetabenazine according to claim 35 in the form of a free base.

47. (previously presented) 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetabenazine according to claim 35 in the form of an acid addition salt.

48. (previously presented) An acid addition salt of 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine according to claim 47 wherein the salt is a methane sulphonate salt.

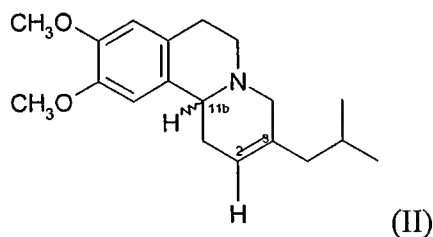
49. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof ~~according to claim 35~~ and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

50. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 49 wherein the 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof is a (+)-isomer.

51. (withdrawn-currently amended) A method for the prophylaxis or treatment of a hyperkinetic movement disorder, which method comprises the administration of an effective prophylactic or therapeutic amount of 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine or a salt thereof ~~according to claim 35~~.

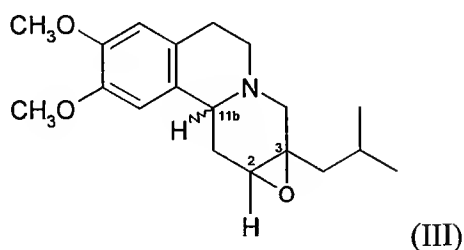
52. (withdrawn) A method according to claim 51 wherein the hyperkinetic movement disorder is selected from Huntington's disease, hemiballismus, senile chorea, tic, tardive dyskinesia and Tourette's syndrome.

53. (withdrawn-currently amended) A process for preparing 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine ~~according to claim 35~~, which process comprises the reaction of a compound of the formula (II):



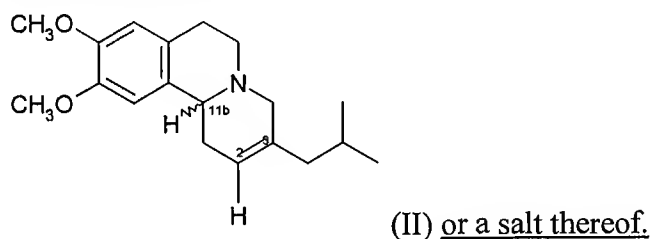
with a reagent or reagents suitable for hydrating the 2,3-double bond in the compound of formula (II) and thereafter where required separating and isolating a desired 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine isomer form .

54. (withdrawn-currently amended) A process for preparing 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine ~~according to claim 35~~, which process comprises subjecting a compound of the formula (III):

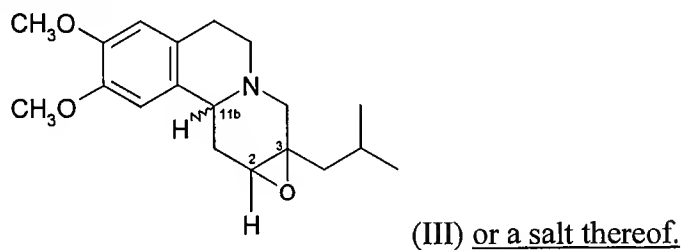


to conditions for ring-opening the 2,3-epoxide group in the compound of the formula (III), and thereafter where required separating and isolating a desired 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine isomer form.

55. (withdrawn-currently amended) A compound of the formula (II):



56. (withdrawn-currently amended) A compound of the formula (III):



57. (previously presented) A Mosher's acid ester of 3,11b-*cis*-dihydrotetrabenazine.